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Today's Topics:

                    6m quad design,help  
            Help-Small Foot print HF antenna (5 msgs)  
    need comments on MFJ antennas and accessories (2 msgs)  
            Yagi Polarization Question

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aus1.robins.af.mil!wrdis02.robins.af.mil!gwood@ames.arpa  
Subject: 6m quad design,help  
To: ham-ant@ucsd.edu

would like to get some help on building a 6m quad 5,6,  
element's would be just great or if you could tell me about  
some good books with design in it that might be some help  
would like to have this thing up and running before 22 jan.

KC4YBL  
GREG WOOD

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Date: 28 Dec 93 01:42:25 GMT  
From: ogicse!emory!europa.eng.gtefsd.com!howland.reston.ans.net!mrtnt.ntrs.com!

tntvax!ddb@network.ucsd.edu  
Subject: Help-Small Foot print HF antenna  
To: ham-ant@ucsd.edu

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Can anyone direct me toward/recommend a 'radialless' vertical or any other design would be good (AEA Iso-Loop?). Price range < \$350ish.

I would like to have 80m-10m operation.

- Thanks in advance.  
Dan Bowker NY9K

Standard disclaimer - Opinions etc are my own.

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Date: 28 Dec 1993 10:34:51 -0500  
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howland.reston.ans.net!darwin.sura.net!udel!news.sprintlink.net!clark.net!  
clark.net!not-for-mail@network.ucsd.edu  
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ddb@tntvax.ntns.com (Dan Bowker [x 6587]) writes:

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I can not vouch for performance, since I have no experience with these, but there are a few companies with HF loops that take up little space (MJF is one that has a loop).

Also, Bilal Company has a variety of single band antennas called Isotrons that can be mast mounted but require no radials. They look basically like an LC circuit (series) with the coil being between two capacitive plates. They received good reviews in several mags a while back. Anyway, their address and number is:

Bilal Co.  
137 Manchester Dr.

Florissant, CO 80816  
(719) 687-0650

Oh, how I miss Colorado !!

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John A. Evans, Capt, USAF  
VHDL/EDA Engineer  
N3Q00 Tech Plus !!!

"My number one goal as a  
runner is to live long enough  
to place in my age group!!!"

jaevans@clark.net

Linux - the OS of choice !!  
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Once data encryption is outlawed, only outlaws will have data encryption !!!  
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Subject: Help-Small Foot print HF antenna

To: ham-ant@ucsd.edu

In article <1993Dec28.074225.1@tntvax>, ddb@tntvax.ntns.com (Dan Bowker [x 6587])  
writes:

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I have an MFJ-1796. This is a compact (12' high) vertical with no radials.  
It covers 40M - 2M. I have had it up for a couple of months and have had  
good results. I live in a condo. It is \$199 list.

Garry  
KE0SH

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Garry Howard

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[I do not speak for HP officially or otherwise.]

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I have used a Cushcraft R7 for a about a year and I have been very happy with it. It tunes 10 through 30 full band and about 1/3 of 40 meters you can pick which third. I use a MFJ turner to get the rest of 40 and I have tuned it up on 80 for local contacts it lacks a lot on 80. The R7 is a shortend 1/2 wave antenna and needs no radials. It is an exclent DX preformer. I have compaired it to 1/4 wave ground planes and I think it works better. It is easy to setup an move about 30 minutes to take down and put up after the inital set up. It took me about 3 hours the first time to get everything measured and so on. Next time I take it down I am going to add a lot of hose clamps just above every joint to keep it from getting shorter in the wind.

Good luck  
Gordon AB5Dg

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It is a good antenna but I have a lot of trouble covering the whole band.  
It is especially difficult on 10 mhz to get low swr. You better  
have a very clear area to set up in. It has a very limited adjustment  
range. I am glad to have the tuner on my 440sat. OTOH it wropks well  
and is the only thing I could find that does all that it does. Would  
I buy it again? Very unlikely, I would look hard for something better  
first.

gilbaronw0mn@delphi.com      email here only  
"Bailar es vivir"

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slc6!trier@network.ucsd.edu  
Subject: need comments on MFJ antennas and accessories  
To: ham-ant@ucsd.edu

I'm somewhat unhappy with my MFJ 2m telescoping halfwave. While it  
works and is definitely an improvement over the radio's rubber duck, a  
friend's AEA hotrod looks better made. The SWR on the MFJ is 3:1 and  
worse, so I'm not too happy with that, either. I haven't had a chance  
to test the AEA's SWR.

Stephen

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Stephen Trier KB8PWA      "The light at the end of the tunnel  
Work: trier@ins.cwru.edu      may be an oncoming dragon"  
Home: sct@po.cwru.edu      - Unknown

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ah301@yfn.ysu.edu (Jerry Sy) writes:

>Also, is the MFJ J Pocket Rollup antenna any good (\$15)?

No. It was a pretty cheaply built twin-lead j-pole (a real garage shop operation IMHO) with heat-shrink tubing and such. The VSWR was all over the map when you got your hand near the feedline, so we sent it back.

>how about telescopic antennas for HT (MFJ-1714, \$17) ? how does this  
>compare to the AEA hot rod (\$25) ?

I've been really happy with the Hot Rod.

I'll never buy another piece of MFJ gear, but to their credit they took it back without batting an eye. From what I can gather, you can build all of the MFJ stuff in your basement at least as well as they can build it in thiers, but then that's true of a lot of commercially available ham equipment. Don't get me started, or I'll tell you about my Fun With Wyman... 8\*{

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Willie Smith wpns@pictel.com N1JBJ@amsat.org

She's writing a formal letter of complaint to the Internet Administration!

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Date: 28 Dec 93 17:23:09 GMT

From: ogicse!cs.uoregon.edu!sgiblab!darwin.sura.net!fconvx.ncifcrf.gov!

mack@network.ucsd.edu

Subject: Yagi Polarization Question

To: ham-ant@ucsd.edu

In article <2fnkne\$139@wrdis02.robins.af.mil> demarsee@robins.af.mil (Contractor Darryl Marsee Mr.) writes:

>If you mount a yagi antenna neither vertically nor horizontally polarized,  
>but diagonally (elements 45-degree angled from the ground), what would  
>the gain be verses mounting it either vertically or horizontally? -3Db  
>in both planes from it's rating in one plane? '

Yup

Joe NA3T

mack@ncifcrf.gov

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